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South Korea's Kang wins literature Nobel for her 'intense prose'

Sudipta Datta
KOLKATA

After two years of Europe-centric Nobel Prizes in Literature (Jon Fosse, Annie Ernaux), the Swedish Academy has looked east this year. It has awarded the 2024 prize to South Korean writer Han Kang "for her intense poetic prose that confronts historical traumas and exposes the fragility of human life".

In awarding the top prize to a 53-year-old Asian writer at the peak of her writing career, the academy has ensured a wider readership of an "innovator in contemporary prose", who with her experimental style has conjured up universal tales of the human condition. With a

radical and poetic imagination, she writes about women battling patriarchy, violence, grief and also about historical wrongs and injustices.

Her literary career began with a book of poems but her breakthrough novel was *The Vegetarian*, first published in Korean in 2007, and translated into English by Deborah Smith in 2015. It immediately scooped up many honours, including the Man Booker International Prize in 2016.

The story revolves around a woman and the consequences of her decision to give up eating meat, and was expanded from her short story, 'The Fruit of My Woman'. As the protagonist Yeong-hye de-

fends her radical stand, and small act of independence, her family reacts in extraordinary, violent ways to make her change her mind. The obsessive tale has been compared to Kafka's nightmarish stories.

Winning the Booker opened the door for her other books, *Human Acts*, *The White Book* and *Greek Lessons*, to be translated into English. Another, *We Do Not Part*, the story of two women told in the backdrop of a hidden chapter in Korean history, a massacre that happened in the 1940s, is being translated by e. Yaewon and Paige Aniyah Morris, and will be published in early 2025.

In its bio-bibliography, the academy says that in



Han Kang

We Do Not Part, Han Kang, with "imagery that is as precise as it is condensed, conveys the power of the past over the present," and also "traces the friends' unyielding attempts to bring to light what has fallen into collective oblivion and transform their trauma into a joint art project, which lends the book its title." In terms of "imagery of pain",

it is closely linked to her 2017 novel, *The White Book*, which is an "elegy dedicated to the person who could have been the narrative self's elder sister, but who passed away only a couple of hours after birth."

The story is narrated "in a sequence of short notes, all concerning white objects; it is through this colour of grief that the work as a whole is associatively constructed."

Han Kang takes on Korean history in another of her novels, *Human Acts* (2016). Setting the story around a historical event, a massacre undertaken by the South Korean military in 1980 on protesting students and civilians, she seeks "to give voice to the

victims of history," but in an experimental style that is "as visionary as it is succinct." Her 2023 novel, *Greek Lessons* (first published in Korean in 2011) is a story of a relationship between two vulnerable individuals, a young woman who has lost the power of speech and her teacher who is losing his power to see. "From their respective flaws, a brittle love affair develops. The book is a beautiful meditation around loss, intimacy and the ultimate conditions of language," the academy notes.

In her oeuvre, the academy says Han Kang, the first Korean to win the Nobel Prize in literature, confronts historical traumas and invisible sets of rules

and, in each of her works, exposes the fragility of human life.

"She has a unique awareness of the connections between body and soul, the living and the dead, and in her poetic and experimental style has become an innovator in contemporary prose," it contends.

But most of all, through her writing, Han Kang has shown the power of literature to "speak the truth."

The number of translators working on Korean literature has increased dramatically, Han Kang said, after winning the Booker, "a phenomenon that seems to be also closely related to the global success of Korean cinema and pop music."

- **2024 Nobel Prize in Literature:**

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- The Swedish Academy noted her ability to innovate in contemporary prose, portraying universal tales of the human condition.

- **2024 में साहित्य के लिए नोबेल पुरस्कार:**

- दक्षिण कोरियाई लेखिका हान कांग को "गहन कवितात्मक गद्य" के लिए सम्मानित किया गया, जो ऐतिहासिक आघात और मानव नाजुकता की पड़ताल करता है।
- स्वीडिश अकादमी ने उनके समकालीन गद्य में नवाचार और मानव जीवन की सार्वभौमिक कहानियों को चित्रित करने की क्षमता को मान्यता दी।







- **Significant Works:**




- Her breakthrough novel, *The Vegetarian* (2007), gained international recognition after its English translation in 2015. It won the Man Booker International Prize in 2016.
- Other notable works include *Human Acts* (2016), which deals with a massacre during a military crackdown in South Korea, and *The White Book* (2017), an elegy about loss and grief.



- **महत्वपूर्ण कार्य:**

- उनका उपन्यास *द वेजिटेरियन* (2007) उनकी प्रमुख रचना रही, जिसे 2015 में अंग्रेजी में अनुवाद के बाद अंतरराष्ट्रीय ख्याति मिली। इसने 2016 में मैन बुकर इंटरनेशनल प्राइज जीता।
 - अन्य उल्लेखनीय रचनाएँ हैं *ह्यूमन एक्ट्स* (2016), जो दक्षिण कोरिया में सैन्य कार्रवाई के दौरान हुए नरसंहार पर आधारित है, और *द व्हाइट बुक* (2017), जो हानि और शोक के बारे में है।
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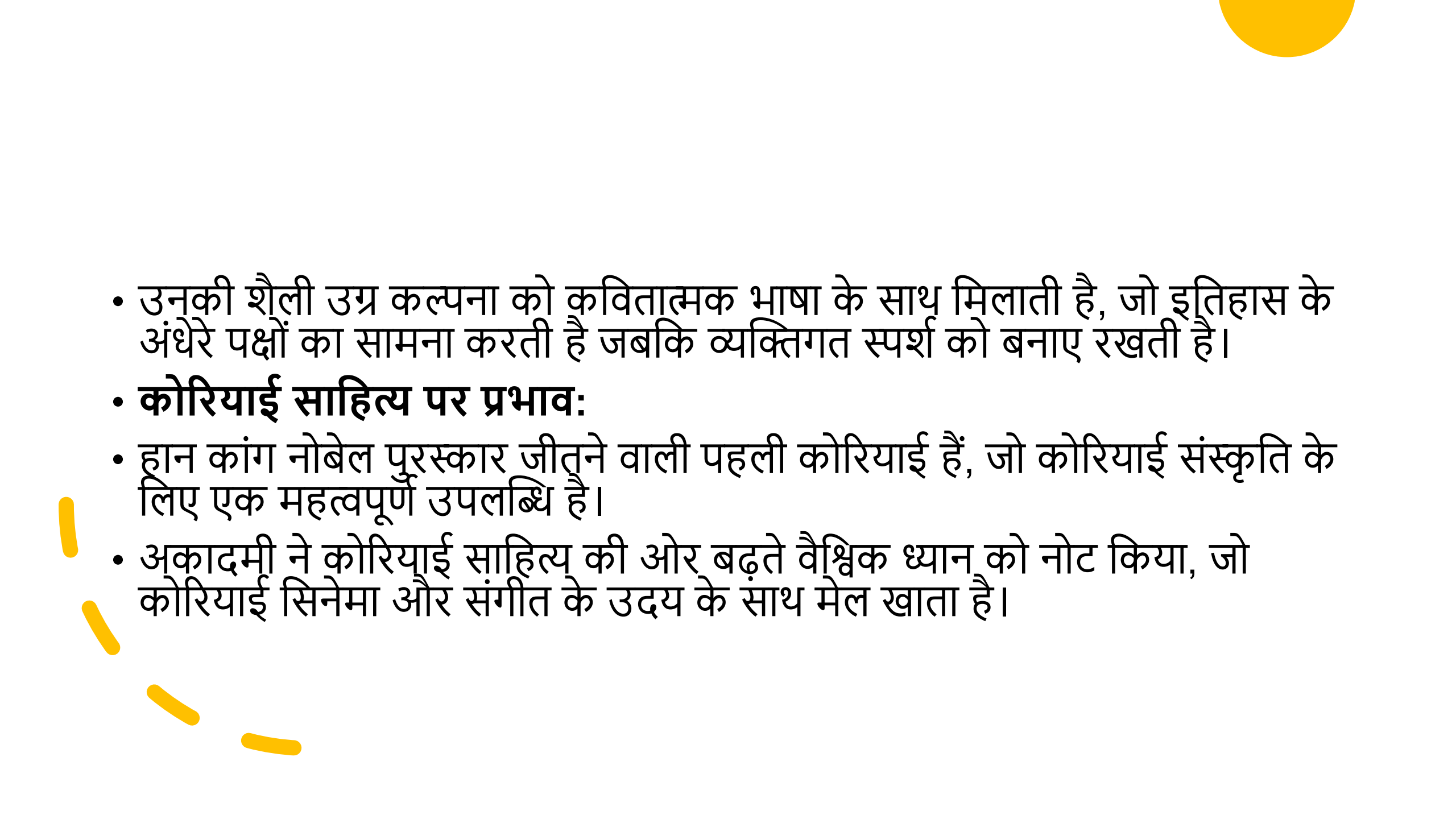
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- Her 2023 novel, *Greek Lessons*, explores the relationship between a young woman losing her speech and a teacher losing his sight.
 - **Themes and Style:**
 - Han Kang's writing often deals with women's struggles against patriarchy, violence, grief, and historical injustices.


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- उनकी 2023 की रचना *ग्रीक लेसनस* एक महिला और एक शिक्षक के बीच के संबंध की कहानी है, जहाँ एक महिला अपनी वाणी खो रही है और शिक्षक अपनी दृष्टि।
 - **थीम और शैली:**
 - हान कांग की लेखनी में अक्सर महिलाओं की पितृसत्ता, हिंसा, शोक और ऐतिहासिक अन्याय के खिलाफ संघर्ष की बातें होती हैं।

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1. Her style blends radical imagination with poetic language, confronting the darker aspects of history while maintaining a personal touch.

1. Impact on Korean Literature:

1. Han Kang is the first Korean to win the Nobel Prize in Literature, marking a significant achievement for Korean culture.
2. The Academy noted the increasing global attention toward Korean literature, paralleling the rise of Korean cinema and music.

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- उनकी शैली उग्र कल्पना को कवितात्मक भाषा के साथ मिलाती है, जो इतिहास के अंधेरे पक्षों का सामना करती है जबकि व्यक्तिगत स्पर्श को बनाए रखती है।
 - **कोरियाई साहित्य पर प्रभाव:**
 - हान कांग नोबेल पुरस्कार जीतने वाली पहली कोरियाई हैं, जो कोरियाई संस्कृति के लिए एक महत्वपूर्ण उपलब्धि है।
 - अकादमी ने कोरियाई साहित्य की ओर बढ़ते वैश्विक ध्यान को नोट किया, जो कोरियाई सिनेमा और संगीत के उदय के साथ मेल खाता है।



- Which of the following statements about Han Kang, the 2024 Nobel Prize winner in Literature, is correct?

1. Han Kang's work mainly focuses on Korean folklore and mythology.

2. Her novel *The Vegetarian* won the Man Booker International Prize after being translated into English in 2015.

3. *Greek Lessons*, a 2016 novel by Han Kang, deals with economic struggles in contemporary South Korea.

4. Han Kang's work has been confined to poetry, with no significant prose publications.



PDP, Jamaat allege 'hooliganism' by NC, CPI(M) supporters

The Hindu Bureau NEW DELHI

The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and the Jamaat-e-Islami Hind have accused supporters of opposing candidates of the National Conference and CPI(M) of engaging in "hooliganism and violence" in parts of south Kashmir.

PDP leader Hija Mufti alleged that a number of her party workers were facing even arrest by NC supporters after the Assembly election results were declared.

"The NC is indulging in hooliganism in Bijnahara and P.H. Pora. A number of my supporters sent derogatory messages in the past two days. The CPI(M) is doing it in Kolgam as well against Jamaat Islami JKD. Even the school teacher's supporter was set on fire and crackers were burst.

The NC is known for hooliganism and 'joodaia raj'. They are doing what they used to do 30 to 40 years back," Ms. Mufti said.

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Hija Mufti

district administration and pressed the police for its action in the matter. "It's shameful that the elected NC MLA is expressing his inability to control those people. What kind of leader is he?" Ms. Mufti asked.

She accused NC workers of "harassing women workers", adding, "I want to question PNC vice president Chenu Abdullah JKD. Even the school teacher's supporter was set on fire and crackers were burst.

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Bangladesh keeping tribes off the reform process; NGO

The Hindu Bureau DUBAII

The interim government of Bangladesh headed by Mohammed Yunus is sidelining the indigenous people of the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) and religious minorities from the constitutional reform process, a New Delhi-based rights group said on Thursday.

The Rights and Risks Analysis Group (RRAG) said that they would also flagged challenges faced by non-Muslims in Bangladesh in a report titled "Conflicts in Bangladesh and Myanmar: the threat to regional peace and security" that was released in New Delhi.

"The world view of Mohammed Yunus, who has become the soft face of Islamism in Bangladesh, is exclusion of the vulnerable in communities," said Sibha Chakrabarti, RRAG director.

The RRAG called upon the diplomatic community to pressure the Bangladesh government to include indigenous people and religious minorities in the constitutional reform process and recognise their rights in the new constitution.

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Mr. Modi held a meeting with the newly appointed Indonesian Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba during the summit.

He also met with the ASEAN Secretary General Kao Kim Hourn to enhance cooperation in different areas, including infrastructure, connectivity and defence.

Congress discusses possible reasons for 'unexpected' defeat in Haryana election

The Hindu Bureau NEW DELHI

Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge on Thursday presided over a review meeting on the party's defeat in the Haryana Assembly polls and discussed possible reasons for the setback.

Next week, on October 17, the party is likely to convene a meeting of the Congress Working Committee (CWC) for a more detailed analysis.

Besides Mr. Kharge, Thursday's meeting was attended by Leader of the Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, Congress general secretary (organisations) K.C. Venugopal and senior observers for the polls Ajay Malik and Ashish Gehlot, among others. Congress in charge of the State Deshpak Baharia joined the meeting online.

"We held a review meeting on Haryana election results. As you all know, the results were unexpected

R.G. Kar protesters storm Durga puja pandals in Kolkata

The Hindu Bureau KOLKATA

The ongoing tussle between West Bengal government and protesting junior doctors, on Thursday spilled on the streets of Kolkata as people protesting against the rape and murder of doctor at R.G. Kar hospital stormed different Durga puja pandals.

Hundreds of people, raising slogans and carrying banners, marched across College Street and Garrah Ghandra Avenue visiting one Durga puja pandal after another. They said they were participating in "Abhaya Yatra" (Procession for Abhaya) seeking justice for the deceased doctor.

The police tried to stop them by putting up barricades, which were breached. The development in Kolkata Police arrested nine persons for organising similar protests outside a Durga Puja pandal in south Kolkata. Those arrested were produced before a court at Alipore and remanded in police custody for seven days.

The police booked the protesters under non-bailable sections. A crowd had also gathered outside the court and raised slogans in support of the arrested. Also, a number of people were injured in the riot on Thursday. The health parameters of the junior doctors on hunger strike for more than 100 hours continued to deteriorate.

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The Hindu Bureau LAURENSW

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Govt. declares Hizb-ut-Tahrir a terrorist organisation

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The Union Home Ministry on Thursday declared Hizb-ut-Tahrir (HtT) a terrorist organisation under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

The order is involved in various acts of terror, including radicalising vulnerable youth to join terrorist organisations and raise funds for terror activities, posing serious threat to national security and sovereignty of India.

The Modi government is committed to securing HtT by using the force of law with an iron fist," the Union Home Ministry said in a post on X.

HtT is active in Bangladesh also.

The Home Ministry's notification said that HtT aims to establish Islamic State and Caliphate globally, including in India, by overthrowing democratically elected governments through jihad and terrorist activities while involving citizens.

The NIA on Wednesday arrested an alleged member of HtT from Chennai.

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The Hindu Bureau NEW DELHI

Journalist bodies have expressed concern at the arrest of The Hindu's Gujarat correspondent Mahesh Langa by the Ahmedabad Crime Branch for his alleged involvement in an alleged GST evasion case.

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The Cabinet also accorded in-principle approval to the project, as per the master plan by using funds through voluntary resources or contributions.

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ASEAN GROUPING



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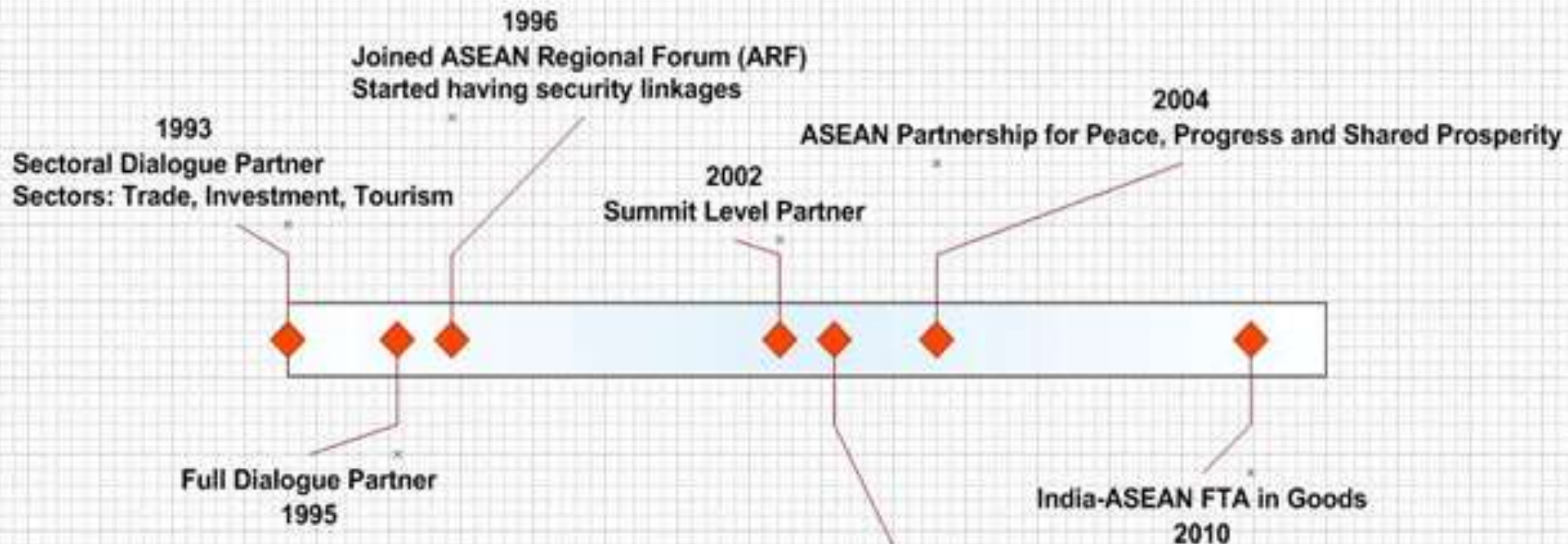
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INDIA ASEAN RELATIONSHIP



Bali Summit - India signed three major agreements:



1. Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Co-operation leading to creation of FTA by 2011.
2. Accession by India to the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation
3. Joint Declaration for Cooperation in Combating International Terrorism






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- **2012: At the 20-year Commemorative Summit in New Delhi, the Dialogue Partnership was upgraded to a Strategic Partnership.**
 - **2018: During the 25-year Commemorative Summit, India and ASEAN agreed to focus on cooperation in the maritime domain.**
 - **2022: The 30-year anniversary of ASEAN-India relations was celebrated, designated as ASEAN-India Friendship Year, culminating in the elevation of the Strategic Partnership to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.**
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- 2012: नई दिल्ली में 20-वर्षीय स्मारक शिखर सम्मेलन में, संवाद साझेदारी को रणनीतिक साझेदारी में अपग्रेड किया गया था।
 - 2018: 25-वर्षीय स्मारक शिखर सम्मेलन के दौरान, भारत और आसियान समुद्री क्षेत्र में सहयोग पर ध्यान केंद्रित करने पर सहमत हुए।
 - 2022: आसियान-भारत संबंधों की 30वीं वर्षगांठ मनाई गई, जिसे आसियान-भारत मैत्री वर्ष के रूप में नामित किया गया, जिसका समापन रणनीतिक साझेदारी को व्यापक रणनीतिक साझेदारी तक बढ़ाने में हुआ।

- **Economic Powerhouse-Gateway to Southeast Asian Markets:**
- **ASEAN represents a crucial economic bloc for India, offering access to a market of over 650 million people with a combined GDP of USD 3.2 trillion. The ASEAN-India Free Trade Area has boosted bilateral trade to USD 110.39 billion in 2021-2022.**
- **ASEAN is one of the major trade partners of India with a share of 11% in India's global trade.**
- आसियान भारत के लिए एक महत्वपूर्ण आर्थिक ब्लॉक का प्रतिनिधित्व करता है, जो 3.2 ट्रिलियन अमेरिकी डॉलर की संयुक्त जीडीपी के साथ 650 मिलियन से अधिक लोगों के बाजार तक पहुंच प्रदान करता है। आसियान-भारत मुक्त व्यापार क्षेत्र ने 2021-2022 में द्विपक्षीय व्यापार को 110.39 बिलियन अमेरिकी डॉलर तक बढ़ा दिया है।
- भारत के वैश्विक व्यापार में 11% हिस्सेदारी के साथ आसियान भारत के प्रमुख व्यापार भागीदारों में से एक है।

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- **Singapore is India' largest trade partner in ASEAN and 6th largest trade partner worldwide** and it was the largest source of FDI during the last financial year valued at **USD 11.77 billion**.
 - For instance, in the fiscal year **2022-2023**, India's exports to ASEAN countries amounted to **USD 44.04 billion**, while imports significantly outpaced this, reaching **USD 87.58 billion** during the same period.
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- **Infrastructure Connectivity:** While India and ASEAN have made progress in digital and cultural connectivity, physical infrastructure links remain underdeveloped.
 - The **India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral Highway**, a flagship project, has faced significant delays and is yet to be completed.
 - Similarly, the **Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project** has encountered challenges.
 - These delays hamper trade flows and people-to-people connections.
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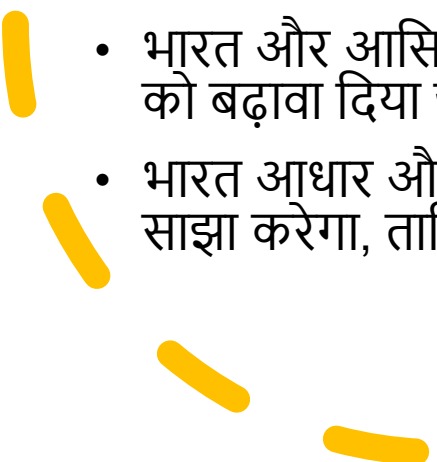
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- बुनियादी ढांचा कनेक्टिविटी: जबकि भारत और आसियान ने डिजिटल और सांस्कृतिक कनेक्टिविटी में प्रगति की है, भौतिक बुनियादी ढांचा लिंक अभी भी अविकसित हैं।
 - भारत-म्यांमार-थाईलैंड त्रिपक्षीय राजमार्ग, एक प्रमुख परियोजना है, जिसे काफी देरी का सामना करना पड़ा है और अभी तक पूरा नहीं हुआ है।
 - इसी तरह, कलादान मल्टी-मॉडल ट्रांजिट ट्रांसपोर्ट प्रोजेक्ट को चुनौतियों का सामना करना पड़ा है।
 - ये देरी व्यापार प्रवाह और लोगों से लोगों के संपर्क में बाधा डालती है।
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- **India-ASEAN Cooperation:**

- India and ASEAN countries are considering linking their payment systems to enhance digital financial connectivity.
- India will share its experience with Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI), such as Aadhaar and Unified Payments Interface (UPI), to address issues in sectors like education, healthcare, agriculture, and climate change.

- **भारत-आसियान सहयोग:**

- भारत और आसियान देश अपनी भुगतान प्रणालियों को जोड़ने पर विचार कर रहे हैं ताकि डिजिटल वित्तीय कनेक्टिविटी को बढ़ावा दिया जा सके।
 - भारत आधार और यूनियफाइड पेमेंट्स इंटरफेस (UPI) जैसी डिजिटल पब्लिक इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर के साथ अपने अनुभव को साझा करेगा, ताकि शिक्षा, स्वास्थ्य, कृषि और जलवायु परिवर्तन जैसे क्षेत्रों की चुनौतियों का समाधान किया जा सके।
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- **Joint Statement Highlights:**

- The statement reaffirmed the importance of peace, maritime safety, freedom of navigation, and lawful sea usage.
- Both sides agreed to promote collaborations in fintech, digital solutions, and cybersecurity.



- **संयुक्त बयान की मुख्य बातें:**

- बयान ने शांति, समुद्री सुरक्षा, नेविगेशन की स्वतंत्रता और समुद्रों के कानूनी उपयोग के महत्व की पुनः पुष्टि की।
 - दोनों पक्ष फिनटेक, डिजिटल समाधान और साइबर सुरक्षा में सहयोग को बढ़ावा देने पर सहमत हुए।
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- **Focus on Strategic Partnerships:**

- The partnership aims to strengthen digital transformation and comprehensive strategic relations.
- Emphasis is placed on creating legal frameworks, responsible AI usage, and cyber cooperation.



- **रणनीतिक साझेदारी पर ध्यान केंद्रित:**

- साझेदारी का उद्देश्य डिजिटल परिवर्तन और व्यापक रणनीतिक संबंधों को मजबूत करना है।
 - कानूनी ढांचे, जिम्मेदार एआई उपयोग और साइबर सहयोग के निर्माण पर जोर दिया गया।
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1. Regional Context:

1. The summit occurred amid rising tensions over maritime rights and the military situation in Myanmar.
2. Prime Minister Modi also met the new Japanese Prime Minister, Shigeru Ishiba, to discuss various bilateral cooperation areas.

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1. क्षेत्रीय संदर्भ:

1. शिखर सम्मेलन के दौरान समुद्री अधिकारों और म्यांमार की सैन्य स्थिति को लेकर तनाव बढ़ने की स्थिति थी।
2. प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने जापान के नए प्रधानमंत्री शिगेरु इशिबा से भी मुलाकात की, जिसमें विभिन्न द्विपक्षीय सहयोग क्षेत्रों पर चर्चा की गई।

- **Consider the following countries: (2018)**

1. Australia

2. Canada

3. China

4. India

5. Japan

6. USA

- **Which of the above are among the 'free-trade partners' of ASEAN?**

- **(a) 1, 2, 4 and 5**

- **(b) 3, 4, 5 and 6**

- **(c) 1, 3, 4 and 5**

- **(d) 2, 3, 4 and 6**

INCREDIBLE RUN Nadal's 14 Roland-Garros titles the most by a player at a Slam



Nadal's 14 French Open crowns are the most by a player... Nadal's 14th French Open crowns are the most by a player...

COMING TRUE As a child, I dreamt of playing with you at the Olympic Games. Alcaraz



Carlos Alcaraz paid tribute to Rafael Nadal... Carlos Alcaraz paid tribute to Rafael Nadal...

SETBACK Pakistan captain Sana to return home following father's demise



Pakistan captain Sana said she will return home... Pakistan captain Sana said she will return home...

GAME-CHANGER Ramharack spins it West Indies' way in a crucial contest



Ravindra Jadeja's spinners were the key to West Indies' victory... Ravindra Jadeja's spinners were the key to West Indies' victory...

'King of Clay' Nadal to end stellar career

The injury-hit 32-time Grand Slam winner played only 23 matches in the last two seasons and will bow out after next month's Davis Cup Finals



Rafa Forever

The 32-time Grand Slam champion has decided to hang up his tennis racket... The 32-time Grand Slam champion has decided to hang up his tennis racket...



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Section titled 'CALLED HIM A WARRIOR' with photos of Nadal and other players.

It's been some difficult years, Rafa had low energy... Nadal said in a video posted on social media...

India's true test will be against Australia

India's performance against Sri Lanka in their Women's T20 World Cup group stage encounter... India's performance against Sri Lanka in their Women's T20 World Cup group stage encounter...



Team India unearths a diamond in Nitish

The fast bowling all-rounder in a crucial contest... The fast bowling all-rounder in a crucial contest...



Brook and Root's knocks smother Pakistan

England reached up to its highest total in 96 years... England reached up to its highest total in 96 years...



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Rafa Forever

The 22-time Grand Slam champion has decided to hang up his racquet after the Davis Cup Finals in November. A look at the 38-year-old Spaniard's illustrious career

AFP

Australian Open

2 (2009, 2022)

French Open

14 (2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022)

Wimbledon

2 (2008, 2010)

US Open

4 (2010, 2013, 2017, 2019)

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French Open

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Wimbledon

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US Open

4 (2010, 2013, 2017, 2019)

MOST WINS AT A SINGLE SLAM

112 **NADAL**
(French Open)

105 **FEDERER**
(Wimbledon)

102 **FEDERER**
(Australian Open)

98 **CONNORS**
(US Open)

SALUTING A WARRIOR



Thank you for the unforgettable memories and all your incredible achievements in the game we love. It's been an absolute honour

Roger Federer



Your legacy will live forever. Thank you for pushing me to the very limit in our rivalry that has impacted me the most as a player

Novak Djokovic



Knew that one day this would come. Proud to have been part of your journey mostly as a coach, but always as a friend

Carlos Moya



I didn't cry, but I had tears in my eyes. He's an inspiration for all of us, for the next generation

Aryna Sabalenka

TENNIS

Reuters

PARIS

Rafael Nadal will call time on his illustrious but injury-plagued career after next month's Davis Cup Finals, the 22-time Grand Slam champion announced on Thursday, as one of the greatest players in the sport prepares for an emotional farewell.

Nadal, who won a record 14 French Open titles during his 23-year career, had previously said he expected to retire this year af-

"It's been some difficult years, these last two especially," Nadal said in a video posted on social media.

"I'm very excited that my last tournament will be the Davis Cup representing my country. It's closing the circle because one of my first joys was the final in Seville in 2004."

Nadal has been no stranger to injuries and he sustained the hip problem at the Australian Open in early 2023 and missed the French Open later that year before having surgery.

He has played only 23 matches in the last two

112-4 win-loss record at the Paris major, Nadal's last Roland Garros triumph came in 2022.

Nadal will hang up his racket two years after great rival and Swiss maestro Roger Federer, leaving record 24-time major winner Novak Djokovic of Serbia as the only member of the 'Big Three' still active.

Nadal thanked his family and his team for his stellar career, with a special word for his uncle Toni, who was his coach for most of his time on court.

"I believe that thanks to him, I have also been able to overcome many situa-



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People pay their last respects to Ratan Tata at the NCPA lawn in Mumbai on Thursday

THE FINAL GOODBYE

URVI MALVANI
Mumbai, October 10

THE FINAL RITES of Ratan Tata, chairman emeritus of Tata Sons, were performed with full state honours on Thursday evening.

The industry titan's family members, including half-brother Ravi Tata and top executives from the Tata Group like N Chandrababu Naidu were present at the ceremonies in Mumbai.

Among those who paid final respects to the business tycoon were Union home minister Annu Sheela, Union minister Piyush Goyal, Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde & his deputy Devendra Fadnis, Gujarat CM Kanubhai Mehta and industrialists Akhilesh Anand and Kumar Mangalam Birla.

"He institutionalised the House of Tata and made it an international enterprise, growing the Tata Group over 70 times since the time he took over as Chairman in 1991," Anand said in his condolence message.

Tata took over as chairman of Tata Sons in 1991 and was at the helm for two decades until he retired in 2013. During his tenure, the Group's revenue grew six times to ₹4.75 lakh crore and net profit grew 3.1 times to ₹73,500 crore. The group's market cap grew 11 times during this period.

The body of the Tata titan, who succumbed to his illness on Wednesday night at Mumbai's Breach Candy Hospital was first taken to his residence in Colaba. From there, the body, used in a glass coffin and dressed according to Parsi traditions, was taken to the National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA) lawn where it was kept for public viewing from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm.

His long-time aide Shrinani Mehta led the cortege from Tata's Colaba residence to NCPA lawn. Mehta, who got to know Tata and forged a friendship over their shared love for cinema, also passed a tribute to the late octogenarian calling him his "light-house".

Succession plan in focus at Tata Trusts

VIVEK SUSAN PANTO
Mumbai, October 10

TATA TRUSTS, which owns 26% of Tata Group holding company Tata Sons, is expected to act quickly on deciding a successor to Ratan Tata, who passed away in Mumbai on Wednesday.

The spotlight is now on the individual who will take over as the chairman of Tata Trusts, while the personal wishes of Ratan Tata are said to be sealed in an envelope, the sources of Tata Trusts have two potential candidates on the table. One is 67-year-old Ravi Tata, half brother of Ratan Tata, who has been associated with the Tata group for over four decades.

The other candidate is 64-year-old Mehta Mehta, businessman and close friend of Ratan Tata, and cousin of Cyrus Mistry, who passed away in 2013 in a road accident.

TCS misses Q2 profit estimates

Falls 1% to ₹11,909 cr; revenue rises 2.6%

DEAL WINS AT \$8.6 BN

Q2 FY25	Q2 FY24	% Change
Revenue	11,909	2.6
EBITDA	1,471	0.4
Net Profit	1,309	1.1
EBITDA Margin (%)	12.3	26.6

THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST information technology services firm, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) on Thursday reported a net profit of ₹1,309 crore during the July-September quarter, which was down 1.1% on sequential basis. The company missed Bloomberg's consensus estimate of ₹1,313 crore and the track of highest expense.

Coincidentally revenue during the period was up 1.8% sequentially to ₹4,231 crore, beating estimates of ₹4.128 crore.

R Kishan, chief executive officer and managing director, said to the analysts call that the cost-cutting trends of the last two quarters continued to play out in this quarter also. This underlines that clients continue to hold back large investments.

Kishan said that globally, clients continue to prioritise efficiency through cost transformation programmes, and demand for discretionary deals with low immediate ROI (return on investment) remains relatively subdued. Operating margin fell 60 basis points quarter-on-quarter to 23.1% with the total expenditure rising over 3% sequentially to ₹4,956 crore due to third-party expense on account of a large stadium national project.

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AIR INDIA BEHIND 85-JET AIRBUS ORDER IN SEPT

AIR INDIA HAS continued a dramatic bid to recapture a place among top carriers by placing a new order for 85 Airbus jets and now says more Boeing planes on top of an historic purchase of almost 500 jets from the same plane-maker, industry sources said, reports **Bhaskar**, **newsla**.

CPI INFLATION LIKELY ROSE TO 5.1% LAST MONTH

INDIA'S RETAIL INFLATION likely rose to 5.1% in September from 5.05% in August, primarily due to an unfavorable base effect, according to the median of a pool of 18 economists by PE reports **Piyush Verma**, in September 2023, CPI inflation was at 5.07% **Page 5**

A Monk Who Trades

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Hurricane Milton leaves millions without power, snarls air traffic

HURRICANE MILTON ROARED ashore in Florida near Sarasota late on Wednesday knocking out power to more than 3 million customers and causing widespread flooding. But officials were cautiously optimistic that damage won't reach the level wrought by Hurricane Ian in

2022. Governor Ron DeSantis said Florida avoided a "worst-case scenario" even as emergency crews start assessing damages and dealing with widespread power outages. In addition to Milton's wrath, the hurricane spawned a rash of tornadoes across central Florida

Wednesday afternoon that killed at least four people.

Between the hurricane impacts and the tornadoes, damages and losses may reach between \$60 billion to \$75 billion, said Chuck Watson, a disaster modeler with Enki Research.

—BLOOMBERG

Fortunes of India's billionaires jump 40%: Forbes

THE COMBINED WEALTH of India's 100 richest tycoons has surpassed the trillion-dollar mark for the first time, reaching a total of \$1.1 trillion—more than double what it was in 2019. Mukesh Ambani,

chairman of Reliance Industries, retains the top spot. Close behind, Gautam Adani, chairman of the Adani Group, is the biggest gainer, adding \$48 billion to his fortune.



Rank	Name	Net worth (\$ bn)	Industry
1	Mukesh Ambani	119.5	Diversified
2	Gautam Adani & family	116	Diversified
3	Savitri Jindal & family	43.7	Metals & Mining
4	Shiv Nadar	40.2	Technology
5	Dilip Shanghvi & family	32.4	Healthcare
6	Radhakishan Damani & family	31.5	Fashion & Retail
7	Sunil Mittal & family	30.7	Telecom
8	Kumar Birla	24.8	Diversified
9	Cyrus Poonawalla	24.5	Healthcare
10	Bajaj Family	23.4	Diversified

Source: Forbes



Govt Raises MLA LAD Fund To ₹15cr A Year

Finance Dept Opposed Move, Citing Fiscal Situation

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: With the Delhi assembly elections just four months away, AAP govt on Thursday increased the MLA local area development (MLA LAD) fund to Rs 15 crore per year. The decision was taken in a cabinet meeting chaired by chief minister Atishi.

Addressing a joint press conference with urban development minister Saurabh Bharadwaj, Atishi said the cabinet had approved a 50% hike in the MLA LAD fund, from Rs 10 crore to Rs 15 crore per annum. The allocation is the highest in the country, she added.

Sources said the move was likely to put an additional financial burden of Rs 350 crore

on the exchequer. Considering a “difficult fiscal situation” in the state, sources said the finance department had denied its concurrence to the proposal and its views were incorporated in the cabinet note.

Emphasising the importance of the fund in a democracy, Atishi said that it was a crucial mechanism to initiate development projects in constituencies.

Reading out the current allocations in other states, Atishi said, “Karnataka provides Rs 2 crore each every year. Even larger states such as Maharashtra, Kerala and Rajasthan allocate only Rs 5 crore.” States like Punjab, Haryana and Andhra Pradesh do not have the provision.

Explaining the rationale

behind the increase, Bharadwaj said Delhi experienced a lot of rain this year, damaging roads, parks, walkways and walls. “Due to the increased rain, there are also issues with sewers in many places — they have become clogged or silted up, and new lines have to be laid,” he said.

“MLAs have been regularly bringing these issues to our attention. The increased fund will enable them to quickly provide relief without waiting for long departmental sanctions,” he added. The flexibility of the fund allows the legislators to address local concerns promptly, ensuring faster and more efficient responses to infrastructure and development needs, Bharadwaj pointed out.

The cabinet had increased

The cabinet had increased the fund from Rs 4 crore to Rs 10 crore in 2018. The legislators got Rs 10 crore each in 2018-19 and 2019-20, before Covid-19 hit the country. While no money was allocated in 2020-21, Rs 4 crore each was earmarked in 2021-22 and 2022-23. The amount was increased to Rs 7 crore in Dec 2023. The unspent amount of an MLA does not lapse and is added to the next financial year’s allocation.

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva and leader of the opposition Vijender Gupta called the increase a “deception” and demanded an audit supervision of all spending made till the elections. “The increased funds are less likely to be spent for development and on solving local problems, and is more likely to be misused by ruling party MLAs,” they alleged.

“In the first four years of the current assembly, AAP govt has only provided Rs 15 crore instead of the Rs 40 crore as local area development fund. This is evident from the deteriorating condition of internal roads and alleys in Delhi, and the crumbling sewer system, which typically receives the majority of MLA funds,” they stated.

- **Increase in MLA LAD Fund / विधायक एलएडी फंड में वृद्धि:**

- The AAP government in Delhi raised the MLA Local Area Development (LAD) fund to ₹15 crore per year / आप सरकार ने दिल्ली में विधायक स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास (एलएडी) फंड को ₹15 करोड़ प्रति वर्ष बढ़ा दिया है।
- This is a 50% increase from the previous ₹10 crore per year allocation / यह पिछले ₹10 करोड़ प्रति वर्ष के आवंटन से 50% की वृद्धि है।

The decision was made in a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Atishi / निर्णय मुख्यमंत्री आतिशी की अध्यक्षता में एक कैबिनेट बैठक में लिया गया।

Fiscal Impact and Opposition / वित्तीय प्रभाव और विरोध:

The increase is expected to add an additional financial burden of ₹350 crore on the state exchequer / इस वृद्धि से राज्य के खजाने पर अतिरिक्त ₹350 करोड़ का वित्तीय बोझ पड़ने की उम्मीद है।

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- The Finance Department initially opposed the hike, citing the state's difficult fiscal situation, but their views were considered in the final decision / वित्त विभाग ने राज्य की कठिन वित्तीय स्थिति का हवाला देते हुए वृद्धि का विरोध किया था, लेकिन उनकी राय को अंतिम निर्णय में शामिल किया गया।

- **Rationale for the Increase / वृद्धि का औचित्य:**

- Urban Development Minister Saurabh Bharadwaj cited heavy rains causing damage to roads, parks, and sewers as a reason for the increase / शहरी विकास मंत्री सौरभ भारद्वाज ने भारी बारिश के कारण सड़कों, पार्कों और सीवेज को हुए नुकसान को वृद्धि का कारण बताया।
- The additional funds will help address clogged sewers, silting, and laying of new lines / अतिरिक्त धनराशि से बंद सीवेज, गाद, और नई लाइनों के बिछाने जैसी समस्याओं का समाधान होगा।

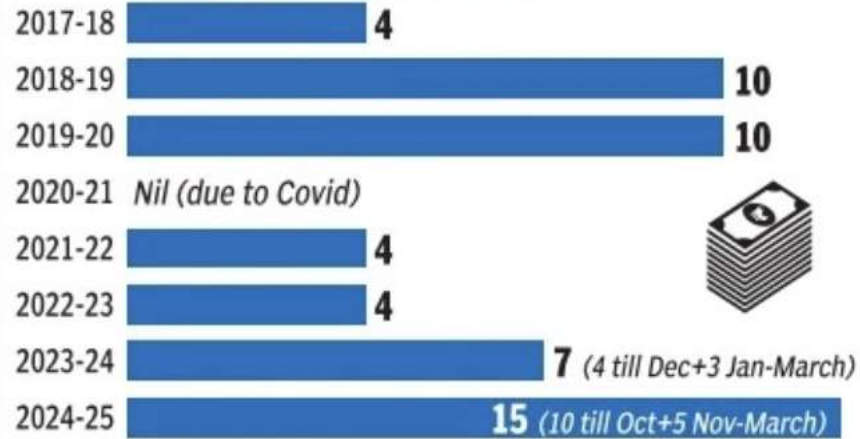
1. Comparison with Other States / अन्य राज्यों के साथ तुलना:

1. Atishi pointed out that states like Karnataka allocate ₹2 crore per year for each MLA, while Maharashtra, Kerala, and Rajasthan provide ₹5 crore / आतिशी ने बताया कि कर्नाटक जैसे राज्य प्रत्येक विधायक के लिए ₹2 करोड़ प्रति वर्ष आवंटित करते हैं, जबकि महाराष्ट्र, केरल और राजस्थान ₹5 करोड़ प्रदान करते हैं।
2. Punjab, Haryana, and Andhra Pradesh do not have such a provision / पंजाब, हरियाणा और आंध्र प्रदेश में ऐसी कोई व्यवस्था नहीं है।

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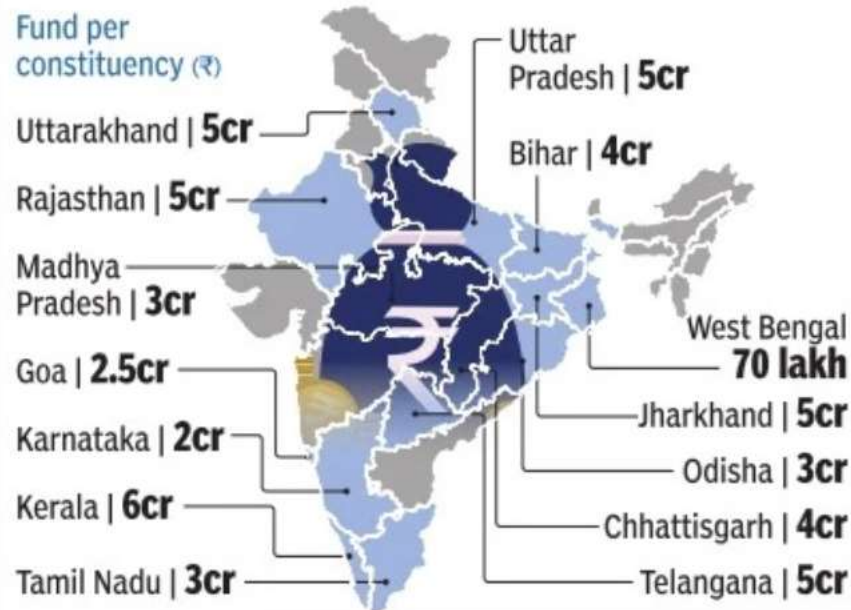
MLA LAD funds allocated over the years

Fund per constituency (₹crore)



MLA LAD funds in other states

Fund per constituency (₹)



TEST CRICKET'S TOP PARTNERSHIPS

Runs	Wkt	Pair	For	Vs	Venue	Year
624	3rd	M Jayawardene/ K Sangakkara	SL	SA	Colombo (SSC)	2006
576	2nd	S Jayasuriya/ R Mahanama	SL	Ind	Colombo (RPS)	1997
467	3rd	M Crowe/A Jones	NZ	SL	Wellington	1991
454	4th	H Brook/J Root	Eng	Pak	Multan	2024
451	2nd	D Bradman/ B Ponsford	Aus	Eng	The Oval	1934
451	3rd	J Miandad/ M Nazar	Pak	Ind	Hyderabad	1983

World Mental Health Day







World Mental Health Day is observed **annually on October 10**. It was first initiated in **1992** by the World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH).



This global observance aims to raise awareness about mental health issues and mobilize efforts in support of mental health care worldwide



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- India is currently witnessing a **surge in mental health disorders.**
 - According to The Lancet Psychiatry Commission, **over 197 million people** suffer from conditions **such as depression, anxiety and substance abuse.**
 - **Economic growth** has created new opportunities, but it has also intensified societal pressures and personal expectations.
 - As **India's developmental aspirations rise**, mental well-being is often overlooked, fuelling a **crisis driven by materialism** and a growing disconnect from community and self-awareness.
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- **Causes of Mental Illness**
 - Exposure to **unfavorable social, economic, geopolitical and environmental circumstances** – including poverty, violence, inequality and environmental deprivation.
 - Over the past few years, **the pandemic-led lockdowns and the uncertainties associated** with them have had a detrimental effect on mental well-being
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Early adverse life experiences, such as **trauma or a history of abuse** (for example, child abuse, sexual assault, witnessing violence, etc.)

Use of **alcohol or drugs**, having feelings of **loneliness or isolation**, etc.

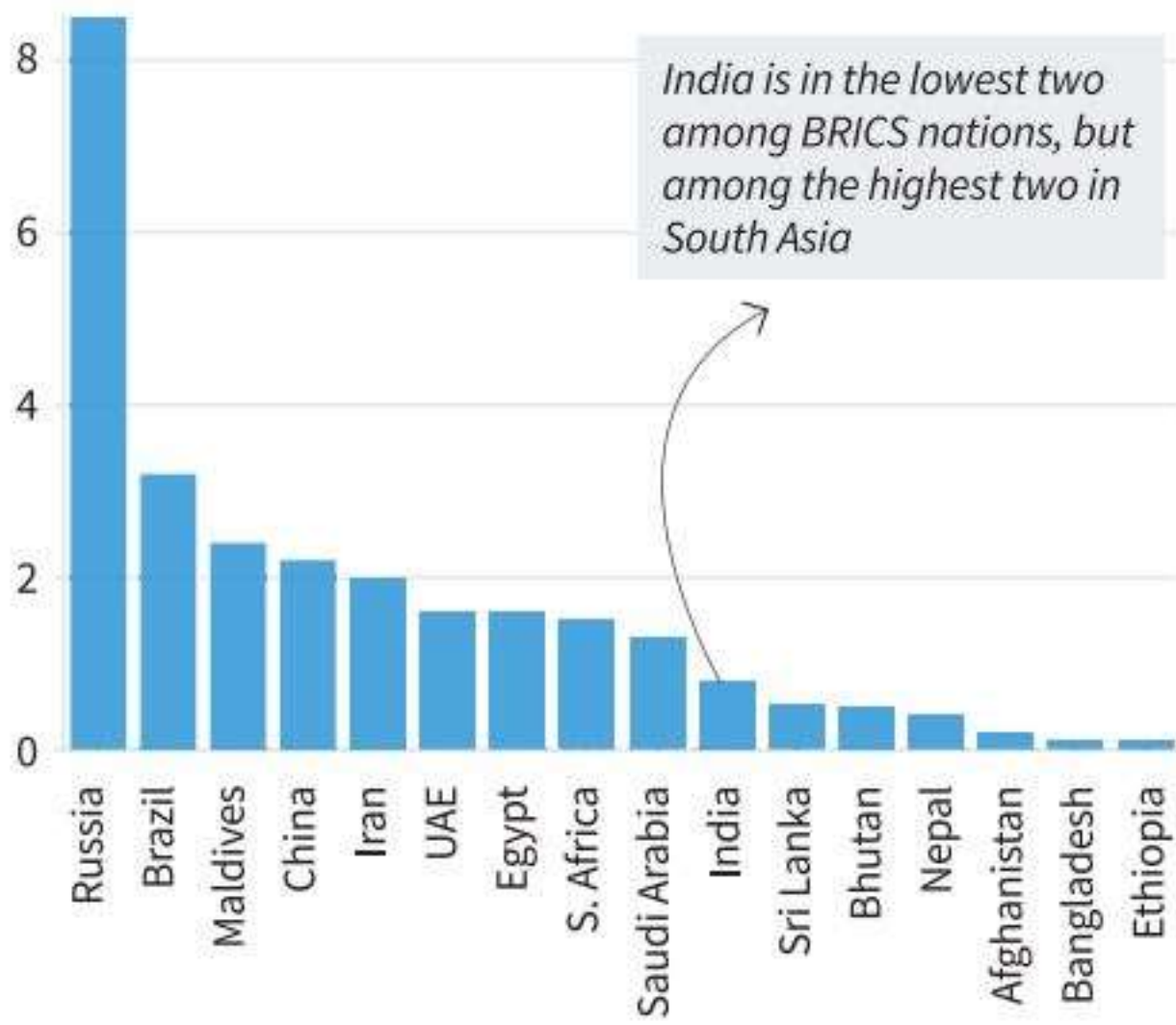
Family Dynamics: Dysfunctional family relationships and lack of support systems can negatively impact mental health.

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- **The growing focus on consumerism**, particularly in urban areas, has fostered a culture where luxury and conspicuous goods define status. This leads to **feelings of inadequacy, stress and social comparison**.
 - The **endless quest for affluence** disconnects individuals from the essential elements of a meaningful life **trapping them in a cycle of dissatisfaction**.
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Issue of Lack of Psychiatrists in India

The World Health Organization's guidelines state that there should be at least **three practising psychiatrists per one lakh population.**

As per the latest National Mental Health Survey (NMHS), which was conducted between 2015 and 2016, **India has only 0.75 psychiatrists per 1 lakh population.**



Kiran Helpline: The helpline is a **step towards suicide prevention**, and can help with support and crisis management.

National Tele-Mental Health Programme: Launched in 2022, this initiative aims to provide mental health services through telemedicine, expanding access to care, especially in underserved and remote areas.

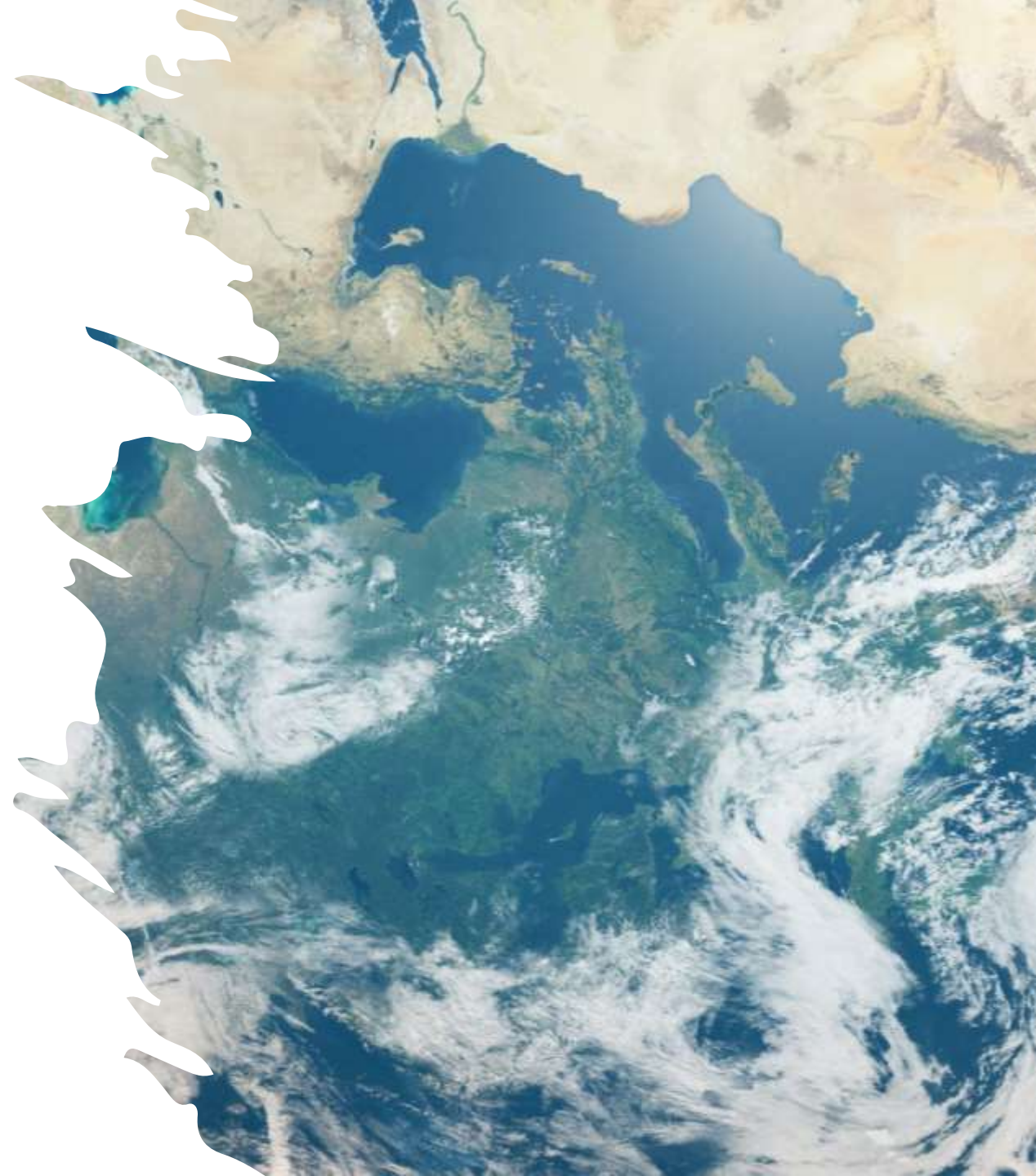
Global wildlife
population fell 73%
: Living Planet
Report



- The World Wildlife Fund's (WWF) Living Planet Report 2024 reveals a catastrophic 73% decline in monitored wildlife populations over the past 50 years (1970-2020)
- **The Living Planet Report**
- WWF's flagship publication, released every two years
- It is a comprehensive study of trends in global biodiversity and the health of the planet.



- The Living Planet Index (LPI) tracks trends in nearly 35,000 populations of 5,495 species.
- Freshwater populations experienced the steepest decline at 85%, followed by terrestrial (69%) and marine (56%).



- **Regions wise :** It highlights significant declines in monitored wildlife populations across different regions:
 - Latin America and the Caribbean: 95% decline
 - Africa: 76% decline
 - Asia-Pacific: 60% decline
 - North America: 39% decline
 - Europe and Central Asia: 35% decline



- Some populations have stabilized or increased due to conservation efforts, such as:
 - Mountain gorillas increased by about 3% per year in East Africa (2010-2016).
 - Bison populations rose from 0 to 6,800 in central Europe (1970-2020).





- **Primary Threats:** The main threats to wildlife include:
 - Habitat loss and degradation
 - Overharvesting (mainly from the global food system)
 - Invasive species
 - Disease
 - Climate change

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National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)



The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the development of the **National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)** at Lothal, Gujarat.

About National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)

It is being constructed at Lothal, Gujarat, a site of historical significance linked to the Indus Valley Civilization. The project is under the **Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways**.

Its primary objective is to showcase the **maritime heritage of India from ancient to modern times**, utilizing an edutainment approach and incorporating the latest technology

Importance: The NMHC is set to become the **world's largest maritime museum complex**, positioning it as a key international tourist destination.

Indian Institute of Skills (IIS)





Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated various development projects in Maharashtra worth over Rs 7600 crore via video conference.

Indian Institute of Skills (IIS):

IIS was launched in Mumbai to enhance the employability of Indian youth for national and global opportunities.

It was established through a **Public-Private Partnership (PPP)** between the Ministry of Skill Development and Tata Trusts.




It aims to prepare an industry-ready workforce for Industry 4.0.

- Initially offers six specialized courses, including Advanced Industrial Automation and Electric Vehicle Battery Specialist.

Key Training Areas: Focuses on factory automation, digital manufacturing, mechatronics, artificial intelligence, data analytics, and additive manufacturing.

MALABAR- 2024





The maritime exercise Malabar 2024, the most comprehensive version of all editions so far, commenced at Visakhapatnam, India.

About: Exercise Malabar

The Malabar series of exercises began as an **annual bilateral** naval exercise between **India and the United States** in 1992.

- **Japan** joined the naval exercises in 2015 and **Australia rejoined** the exercise in 2020 after having last participated in 2007.



92nd Indian Air Force Day





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- Recently, the 92nd anniversary of the Indian Air Force (IAF) was celebrated at Marina Beach, Chennai, featuring an airshow. The theme is "Bhartiya Vayu Sena: Saksham, Sashakt, Atmanirbhar" (Potent, Powerful, and Self-Reliant).

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- The motto of IAF is Touch the sky with Glory (Nabhah Sparsam Diptam) which has been taken from the eleventh chapter of the Bhagavad Gita.
 - The Indian Air Force was formed on 8th October 1932, The first operational flight of the IAF took place on 1st April 1933.
 - Problems concerning the defense of India were reassessed in 1939 by the Chatfield Committee. It proposed a scheme to raise five flights on a voluntary basis to assist in the defence of the principal ports.

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Word of the day

Poseur:

a person who habitually pretends to be something he or she is not


Synonyms: impostor, fraud, deceiver

Usage: *He pretended to know a lot about art, but everyone could tell he was just a poseur.*

Pronunciation: bit.ly/poseurpro

International Phonetic

Alphabet: /pəʊ'zɜ:/

A group of people are clapping in a dimly lit room. The focus is on the hands and forearms of several individuals, some in the foreground and some blurred in the background. The lighting is soft and focused on the clapping action. An orange horizontal bar is located in the top left corner of the image.

Thank you
guys.
